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CHAPTER 1 ✦ BIRTH OF A HERO



I HAVEN'T
LOST YET!

BUT...



AH, THAT
HURTS...



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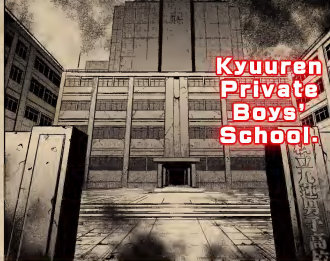
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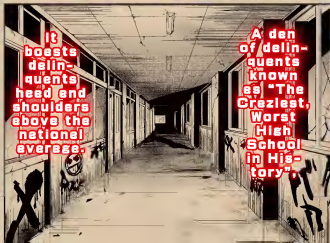


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Kyuuren Private Boys' School.



It
boasts
delin-
quents
head and
shoulders
above the
national
average.

A den
of delin-
quents
known
as "The
Craziest,
Worst
High
School
in His-
tory".



Because
it gathers
fight-starting
hoodlums from
around the
country, the
in-fighting
never ends,
and the area
is always
pregnant with
the scent
of blood.

neigh-
boring
dalin-
quents,
with
awe
and
fear,
call the
school
this:



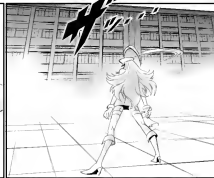
Gu-
ren,
High
Sc-
hool



WELL
THEN...



LET'S
GET
STAR-
TED,
SHALL
WE?





**HEY
ASS-
HOLES!!
YOU
GONNA
COME
OUT
HERE?!**

**IF YOU
DRAG
YOUR
FEET,
YOU'RE
GONNA
BE
MINCE
MEAT.
PUMB-
ASSES!!**



**YOU
LITTLE
OCTOPI
AIN'T
IGNO-
RING
ME, ARE
YA?**



**YOUR
FIGHTIN'
SPIRIT'S
SUDDEN-
LY GONE,
HON?**







IS THAT
TRUE?

UH, I HEARD
THAT THERE
WERE A LOT
OF STRONG
PEOPLE
HERE...



COME OVER
HERE AND
WE'LL HAVE
SOME FUN
TOGETHER!

JUST
TAKE IT
OVER TAKE
IT OVER!

IF THAT'S
THE CASE,
THERE'S
SOMETHING
I WANT
TO ASK...

HEY! HOW
MUCH TO LET
ME DO IT
WITH YOU?

WHAT'S UP
WITH HER? SHE
MISSED UP IN
THE HEAD OR
SOMETHING?

**AT
THIS
SCH-
OOL?!**

**WHO'S
THE
STRONGEST
GUY**





HUH?
IN YOUR DREAMS, MAYBE.



SHOULD WE SETTLE THIS HERE AND NOW?







AH,
DAMMIT.

WHAT
CAN I DO
TO START
WINNING?



SOMETHING
FUCKED UP IS
GOING ON!



WHA...

WHAT
THE HELL
IS THIS?!















**LOSERS
SHOULD
DROP OUT
RIGHT
AWAY!!**



I'LL
ADMIT
YOU'RE
TOUGH...

BUT THIS
IS A FIGHT
TO FIGURE
OUT WHO
THE STRON-
GEST IS.



...







I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO WIN.

THERE'S NO POINT IN FIGHTING IF YOU DON'T WIN.



WE'RE GETTING THE TITLE OF STRONGEST!!!!

WE'RE THE ONES GOING TO THE ROOF!!



IT'S JUST SOME GRAPES. THIS GUY'S RAKU THE LOSER, RIGHT?

HUH? DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?



...STUPID.



HAHAHA!
SO A GUY WHO'S
NEVER WON IS
TALKING BIST

HE'S
FAMOUS FOR
BEING THE
WEAKEST
AND NEVER
WINNING A
FIGHT.



HUH?



...BUT IS
THAT ALL
THERE IS?



THERE'S
NO POINT IN
FIGHTING IF
YOU DON'T
WIN?

I GUESS
THAT'S
TRUE.

**YOU ONLY
REALLY
WIN IF YOU
STICK TO
YOUR GUNS.**



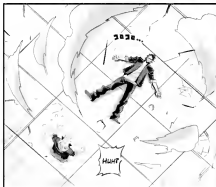
**JUST
WINNING OR
LOSING IS
BORING.**













MY BODY
HURTS TOO,
SO SURE
I'LL GO
HOME...



MAN...

AFTER
WATCHING
YOU, I'M
FEELING
KINDA
STUPID.



HEY! AREN'T
WE DECIDING
WHO'S THE
STRONGEST?



WHATEVER,
YOU CAN BE
THE STRON-
GEST.

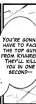


HURRY
UP AND GO
BEFORE WE
CHANGE OUR
MINDS.

WE
WERE ONLY
FIGHTING TO
SEE WHO'D
WIN OR LOSE
ANYWAY.



!







AND THE
THREE TOP
SENIORS:
[AIZAWA,
SHINDO,
AND
KURUSU...]

THE
STRONGEST
JUNIOR,
GODAI,
AND THE
BIGGEST
ROOKIE
FRESHMAN,
KAMIYAMA

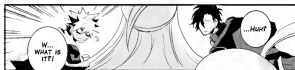






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000
OP!

STO
000
00-



ANYWAY!
YOU BOTH
PASSED.
SO YOU
CAN STOP
NOW!

DON'T
GET
IN MY
WAY!



TIME'S
UP! IF YOU
WANT TO
CONTINUE,
DO IT LA-
TER!

TIME?





WHEE-
EEEE-
RE'RE
YOU
HIDING?





...WAIT
A SEC.
HARRY'S
THE OTHER
GUY!

YOU'VE...
MISUNDER-
STOOD.

RIGHT,
YAKKII!
EARTH'S
STRONG-
EST,
ALSO
WARRI-
ORS!



THOSE...
ARE ALL
YAKKII!
MANGA...

E/R: "YAKKII"
IS PROBABLY
A JOKE TO REFER
TO JAPANESE
MANGA, BUT ITS
ORIGIN ARE
PRETTY
CONFUSING.
PLEASE
ASK FOR MORE
INFO.



**C'MERE
AND
FIGHT,
YOU
DOLT!**

YOU'RE
IN MY
WAY,
RUNT.

**HEY,
YOU!**

I DUNNO
WHO YOU
ARE, BUT
YOU'VE GOT
SOME NERVE
ATTACKING
KYUREN!!



[GROG]
GIVE ME
YOUR NAME!

**SHUT UP!
I DON'T
LOSE TO
ANYBODY!**

WHAT...
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?!

THERE'S
NO WAY
A NORMAL
LIVING BEING
COULD WIN
AGAINST A
GEARS
MEMBER



IT'S
CALLED
THE
BOOST
SUIT!

IT'S A SUPER
SPECIAL ARM
BAND THAT
WILL LET YOU
FIGHT AGAINST
THE BEARS...

WHAT'S
THIS?

EYE HIS ARM BAND SAYS "HARDNESS"



!?

HAY
WHAT'RE
YOU...?

WELL?
IT'S COOL,
RIGHT?



TH...
THIS
IS...





HAND
HER OVER,
SHRIMP!



THAT'S WEIRD...
AGAINST THIS
MONSTER...



GET
HIM!



I
DON'T
FEEL
LIKE
I'LL
LOSE!!



SO
WEAK!



.....



H-HEY!
WHY ARE YOU
LOSING?

SHOT
OP! I
HAVEN'T
LOST
YET!

Owow
Owowow
Owow...



CRACK



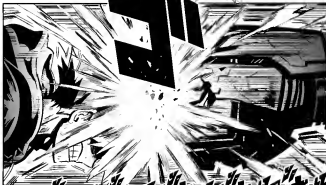
HRK...



...HEY.
THE FIGHT
HASN'T
EVEN STAR-
TED YET.

BUT
HE'S
STILL
ALIVE
AND
KICK-
ING!

THAT PUNCH
JUST NOW...
IT WAS AS IF A
METEORITE AS
METERITE!
SO HE
SHOULD BE
IN PIECES...







WHAT-!!





E/N:
HIS ARM
BAND
SAYS
"ATTACK"



AH...
OH...

WOAH...
THIS IS ONE
HELL OF A
DESTRUCTIVE
POWER.



THESE
GUYS...
ARE AWE-
SOME!



THAT SAID
THOUGH, THE
FACT THAT
THEY DIDN'T
LET A MEMBER
OF THE BRANCH
BEAR HANDS
GET NEAR THEM AT
ALL...

THE
POWERS
DON'T
SEEM-
TOALLY
RAISE THE
PHYSICAL
ABILITIES
AND DE-
FENSES
OF THE
MEM-
BERS



THE DE-
FENSES
TO TAKE
A BUNCH
FROM
AN IRON
PISTOL



THE
ATTACK
POWER
TO DE-
STROY A
STEEL
BODY
IN ONE
BLOW!!



JUST A
FANTASTIC
EXPERIENCE

I SAID IT,
RIGHT...
THAT IT
OFFER A
FANTASTIC
EXPERIENCE

IT'S JUST
AS I PRO-
POSED AT THE
BEGINNING.

FORGET
THAT, WHAT
WAS THIS ALL
ABOUT
EXPLAIN
WHAT'S
GOING ON!

HEY,
LADY...

JUST
WHAT IS
HAPPENING
HERE? THE
STRONGEST,
ALONG WITH
SIDES OF
BATTLE!



**TO BE THE
HEROES WHO
PROTECT THIS
EARTH!**

**YOU TWO
HAVE BEEN
CHOSEN!**



IT'S A
TAMER'S
DUTY TO
PROTECT
HIS
SUB-
DICS OR
HIS TEAM,
RIGHT?

SO SINCE YOU
CAN PROTECT
THE EARTH...
IT'S MORE LIKE
A PROMOTION TO
WARRIOR, RIGHT?

...HAPPY
W-WHY
AREN'T YOU
HAPPY...?

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
"HEROES"?
YOU GOTTA
BE FUCKING
KIDDING
ME!!

HEY...
YOU GOT
SOME
NERVE
TEASING
ME.

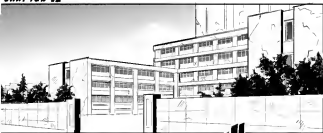




GUREN FIVE

GUREN FIVE

CHAPTER 2 ♣ HERO'S DEPARTURE!!











...HE
D-DISAP-
PEARED?



TRAMP-
PERED...
WITH THAT
THUMB?

...I TRANS-
FERRED HIM
TO SPACE
PRISON.



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ア





SO...
YOU'RE
AN ALIEN
TOO?



HARMONY-
GARD IS A
GENUINE
MESSAGE-
BOARDING
THE
POOREST
TECHNICAL
ABILITY
IS ALL OF
SPACE!

I DEVELOPED
THIS LITTLE
TRIPLE MYSELF!



WHAT
THE
HELL?!



Y-YES..



SNIFF



E-EVEN
THOUGH I
DECIDED TO
PROTECT THIS
PLANET...

HOW COME I
HAVE TO BE
YELLED AT...



MY MY
ABOUT THIS
POORER WAR-
BERRY AND
THEY LET OUT
STINK-SPRINT
WHEN THEY GET
MAD, DON'T
THEY?

ALIAS ARE
USUALLY SUP-
POSED TO HAVE
GREEN FACES
AND BE USED
NO SORLANT!





SO YEAH...
WHAT WAS
THAT ALL
ABOUT?



...WAS
PROBABLY
JUST
YOUR
IMAGI-
NATION.



WHEN I PUT
THAT AER BAND
ON, I SUDDENLY
FELT A POWER
SWELLING WITHIN
MY BODY... IT
WAS AMAZING.



FIGHTING
STRONG
GUYS WHO
GO AROUND
CAUSING
TROUBLE IN
SPACE.

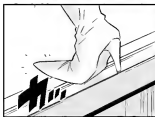
BUT IF
IT WAS
TRUE... IT'D
BE PRETTY
FOR NOW?





I'M TEL-LIN' YOU,
THERE'S NO WAY---

!!!?





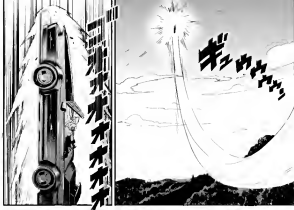


REVVING
AT FULL
THROTTLE
GIVING YOUR
BEST REGARDS
JUST IN TIME.
ONCE YOU
SAY YOU'RE
PROWSY, PUT
THE PEDAL TO
THE METAL!





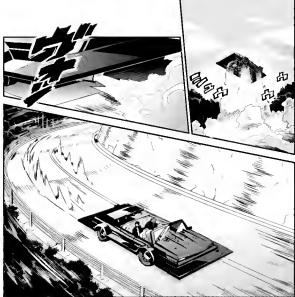














BEFORE I
KNEW IT, I
WAS TOTALLY
DEGROGGED!

NOT
ANSWER-
ING TO ANY-
BODY AND
DEDICATING
YOURSELF TO
BEING AN
OUTLAW IS
SO COOL...



WHAT A
WEIRD
DAD...



IT STAR-
TED WHEN
MY DAD GAVE
ME YAMNI
MARGA FROM
EARTH AS A
BIRTHDAY
GIFT...





TO PRO-
TECT THIS
PLANET.

SO...
HELP ME
ELIMINATE
THE GEARS...

YET... I'LL
ADMIT YOU
GUYS ARE
STRONG.



THE BOOST
SUITS AREN'T
JUST TRENDY
CLOTHES,
THEY'RE AN
INVESTMENT
PIECE!

THESE ARM
BANDS... WHAT
ARE THEY?



ON TOP
OF THAT,
IT'LL BRING
OUT YOUR
INDIVIDUAL
ABILITIES.

THE POINT
IS, IF YOU
WEAR IT,
YOU'LL GET
SUPER
STRONG!

AH!
I
DON'T
GET
IT!

THEY'RE HIGH-POWERED
SUITS, CONFIGURED USING
ULTRA-SMALL EQUIPMENT
THAT DRAMATICALLY IN-
CREASE THE WEARER'S
PHYSICAL ABILITIES
AT THE SAME
AUTOMATICALLY
FINE-TUNING EACH WEAR-
ER'S UNIQUE CHA-
RACTERISTIC...





HEH, SO
WE'LL BE
UP SOON.

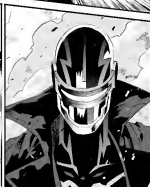
IT'S NO
GOOD...
LET'S
RUN.

...HUNT

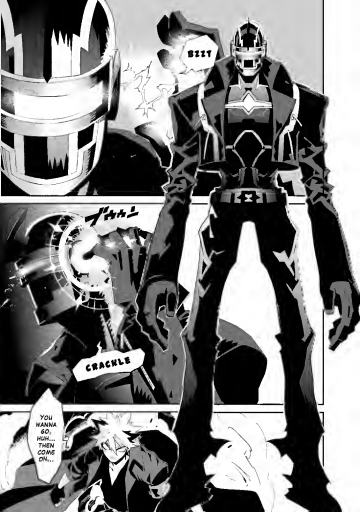


THIS ONE
IS ON A DIFF-
ERENT LEVEL
THAN THE GUY
FROM YESTER-
DAY! WE SHOULD
RUN AWAY--









BZZT

CRACKLE

YOU
WANNA
GO,
HEH...
THEN
COME
ON...











AS LONG
AS WE
GOT THAT
BRIGHT
LIGHT...
I CAN'T
GET CLOSER
TO HIM.





IN THIS
IF BAD...
HERE
COMES
A BIG ONE...
BOTH OF
YOU, RUN
AWAY!!



HE'S RAISING
HIS ENERGY
SENSITIV
IT'S WAY
HIGHER...
THAN BE-
FORE...IT

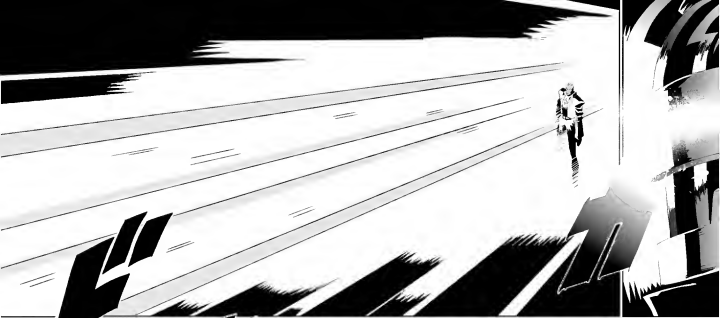


D-DARN IT,
I DON'T RUN
OR HERE...



EVEN IF
YOU TELL
US TO RUN
AWAY...









...IT'S DANGEROUS.
PLEASE ST-
AND DOWN.



WHO...
WHO ARE
YOU...?



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WE'RE THE
HEROES...
WHO PROTECT
THE EARTH.

GUREN  FIVE

GUREN  **FIVE**











BYN.
HIS ARM.
BAND SAYS
"ZAN" OR
"CUT".





SO...WHO
THE HELL
ARE YOU?

—YOU'RE
EXTREMELY
GRATEFUL.
FOR
AREN'T YOU.





JUST AS I
WAS ABOUT
TO HIT HIM,
HE JUMPED
BACK AND
AVOIDED
IT...

THAT'S
INCREDIBLE
SPEED.

8/6 HQ AREA BAND LATE "SPEED"



...HMM?
WERE YOU
THINKING,
SUDDENLY
TRYING TO
PUNCH ME
LIKE THAT?



ALL
RIGHT.
ALL
RIGHT.
THAT'S
ENOUGH.



FOR-
MATION!

ELIMINATE
AT LEAST
ONE GEAR'S
MEMBER.

IF YOU HAVE
ENOUGH
FREE TIME
TO WASTE
ENERGY
FIGHTING
EACH
OTHER...







I-I...

AND ON TOP
OF THAT, WHAT'S
ARE YOU TRYING
TO CARRY ON IN
"THAT PERSON'S"
FOOTSTEPS?



HEY.



DO YOU
UNDER-
STAND?
THIS IS
A WAR.

DO YOU PLAN
TO PUT THEIR
LIVES IN DANGER
FOR YOUR OWN
SELFISH REA-
SONS?



"SET-
TING IN THE
WAY..."
EVEN
THOUGH
WE SAVED
YOU

OHNO,
PLEASE!



I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
THE HELL
YOU'RE TALK-
ING ABOUT...

SETTING
IN THE WAY
OF PEOPLE'S
FIGHTS.



IF YOU TAKE
IT AS A JOKE,
IT'S PRETTY
FUNNY.

IT'S
CALLED
THE JUDGE
HERE.



WAIT...
CAPTAIN!

WHA...?



SO AT LEAST
ALLOW ME TO
BEGIN WITH AN
INTRODUCTION.



IT
SEEMS YOU
SOMEHOW
HAVE NOT
BEEN IN-
FORMED OF
ANYTHING.
IT'S
NATURAL
THERE
WOULD BE
MISUNDER-
STANDINGS.



AN
ORGANIZATION
FORMED TO
PROTECT THE
EARTH FROM
THE LIVING
MACHINES,
THE GEARS.

WE ARE
THE HOLY
QUINTET.



DEVELOPER
OF THEIR
BOOSTER
SUITS AND
THEIR
COMMANDING
OFFICER.

HE'S THE
CAPTAIN,
KUSABI
FUYUSA.

I'M
KARNE.





THERE
YOU GO
AGAIN!

WE'RE SAYING...
IT IS NOT
NECESSARY FOR
YOU TO ENGAGE
IN DANGEROUS
BATTLES



YOU HAVE JUST
SAID WHATEVER
YOU WANT...

PEOPLE
LIKE YOU WHO
LOOK DOWN
ON EVERYBODY
FIND ME DIFF-
ICULTER THAN
ANYTHING



I
DECIDE
THAT.

YOU AIN'T
THE ONES
WHO DECIDE
IF IT'S
NECESSARY
OR NOT.



HEY,
WAIT!
DON'T
YOU RUN
AWAY
FROM
ME!

...I SEE.
IF THAT'S
THE CASE,
DO AS YOU
PLEASE.



WHAT?
DO I NEED
A REASON
TO FIGHT?



...DO YOU
WANT TO
FIGHT?
WHAT?



WE'RE BUSY,
SO THIS WILL
BE THE ONLY
TIME WE'LL
COME TO
SAVE YOU.



HOWEVER,
THIS IS NOT
A GAME.

THE FATE OF THE
EARTH HANGS IN
THE BALANCE.



STOP
IT. YOU'RE
ONLY GET-
TING IN
THE WAY.



YOU WERE
THE ONE MOST
BELOVED BY
"THAT PERSON",
SO I UNDERSTAND
HOW YOU FEEL,
BUT...



STILL,
EVEN
THOUGH
WE LOST,
IT'S NOT
OVER.
INSTEAD,
I'M GET-
TING PI-
RED UP!



WE
LOST...
DIDN'T
WE...



.....



WE
DIDN'T
LOSE TO
BEGIN
WITH!!

QUIT
SAYING
"LOST"
OVER
AND
OVER!!



I
KNOW
WE'RE
GOING
TO KEEP
GOING, RIGHT?

LOSING
ONCE
DOESN'T
MEAN IT'S
OVER...



**AND YOU,
QUIT MAK-
ING THAT
FACE!**

**YOU GET
IT? IF YOU
DON'T AD-
MIT IT, YOU
HAVEN'T
LOST!**



**INST-
EAD, I'M
READY
TO GO!!**

**STOP
CALL-
ING ME
"RARD-
CHAN"!!**



**THAT'S JUST
THE KIND OF
DUMB THING
YOU'D SAY,
RARD-CHAN!**



**IF THAT'S
THE CASE,
WE'RE STILL
IN THE MIDDLE
OF THE FIGHT
SO THERE'S
EVEN LESS OF
A REASON TO
GIVE UP.**

























...PEST
CONTROL.

GUREN FIVE

GUREN  **FIVE**





I DON'T,
BUT...



SO
WHAT?



WHAT?
NO
WAY!

HEY, I
HEARD THE
MAD DOGS GOT
TAKEN DOWN
OVER ON THE
HIGHWAY.



YOU'RE
SAYING
THAT THEM
BAND GOT
STOLEN?

THAT'S
WEIRD...
WHY WERE
WE SLEEP-
ING?



WHAT...
WHAT DO WE
DO...? WE'RE
ONE SHORT...

IT REALLY
WAS STOLEN.

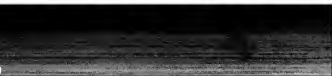














... AHH,
LOOKS LIKE
YOU FOUND
ME.

YOU... DID
THIS?

THESE
CLOTHES ARE
AMAZING, BUT
I WAS ABLE TO
BEAT ALL THESE
GUNS WITH NO
PROBLEM.



...HUN-
TING?

WHATT
NAH.



YEAH,
YANKU
HUNTING.



I'M
STILL
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF HUN-
TING.

...YOU
WANNA
GIVE THAT
BACK?



THIS IS...
MY RE-
VENGE.

I'M NOT
FUCKING
WITH YOU...



YANKII
HUNTING?!!
WHAT THE
HELL ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!

YOU
GOTTA BE
FUCKING
KIDDING
ME!!



HE WAS
MY ONLY
FRIEND,
AND WE WENT
EVERYWHERE
TOGETHER.

...EVER
SINCE I WAS
A KID, I HAD
A DOG I CAR-
ED FOR AND
LOVED...

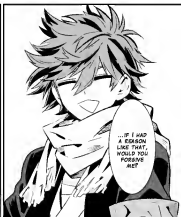


THEY
KILLED
HIM!

MY
FRIEND!

MY
ONLY
FRIEND!

MY BEST
FRIEND...
GOT RUN
OVER BY
SOME
DUMBASS
BIKER!







WELL...
IF THAT
ONE'S
THIS
STUPID
WE
SHOULD
BE EASY
TO USE



AND THE
HELL IS
LUCKY?



72.7

IF YOU
DON'T, LUCKY
WILL NEVER
MOVE ON.

BUT...YOU
SHOULDN'T RELY
ON THE POWER OF
THAT SHIT. YOU
GOTTA DO THIS
ON YOUR OWN.



...GUESS
THERE'S NO
CHOICE.

IF THAT'S HOW
IT IS...WE'LL
TAKE IT BACK
BY FORCE.



ANYWAY...
MY MONEY
HAS JUST
STARTED.

I DON'T
PLAN ON
GIVING
THESE
CLOTHES
BACK.





I'LL WAKE
YOU UP...



LET'S GO!!
ORAAAA-
AAAAAA!









E/N: HIS ARM BAND SAYS "LIE"





...WHAT'S
WRONG?
COME AT
ME!

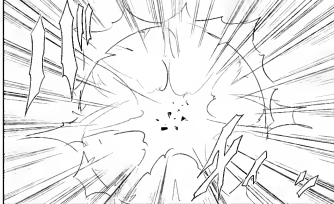


SORRY,
RAKU-CHAN...
I'M GOING TO
END THIS IN
ONE BLOW.



HAH.
GUESS
I DON'T
HAVE A CHOICE...













YOU...
YOU'RE THE
MONSTER
THOSE GUYS
WERE FI-
GHTING.



Heard
there
was a
Booster
Suit
around
here some-
where...
so came
lookin'
for it.



Ain't
a mon-
ster.

Just a
living
machine

And
it ain't
'you'...
it's
'you
guys'.











GUREN + FIVE

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第2巻につづく TO BE CONTINUED...

**ROUGHS
OF THE
CHARACTER
LINE UP**

**FIRST UP, THE
FIRST DRAFT!**
A ROUGH TO SHOW OFF THE
CHARACTERS' UNIQUE TRAITS.

THESE ARE
CHARACTERS
THAT HAVEN'T
BEEN SEEN
YET...

**ORIGINAL WORK: RETAKE BASED ON KODAKA
KAZUTAKA'S CHARACTER SETTINGS**

EXCEPT FOR
THE PROTAGO-
NIST, RAKU, THESE
DESIGNS WERE
MOSTLY LOCKED
IN!!

SPECIAL!!

MAIN CHARACTER DESIGNER

KODAMA YUUKI

REVEALING GUREN 5'S INITIAL ROUGHS!

GRASPING
FOR THE MAIN
CHARACTER'S
DESIGN...!!

HIS IMAGE SOLIDIFIED, FROM
HIS PERSONALITY DOWN TO HIS
HAIRSTYLE AND ACCESSORIES

髪型は、
短く、
尖る感じ

IT'S
DECI-
DED!!

髪は、
短く、
尖る感じ

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE MAIN CHARACTERS
NOT INTRODUCED IN VOLUME 1 IN VOLUME 2

